

KING TAKES BLAME OF BAN ON BREECHES

He Instructed Lonsdale Women
Shouldn't Ride Astride
at Olympia.

ONE GIRL BREAKS RULE

Russia Wins King Edward Cup
—Judge Moore and Walter
Winans Take Prizes.

Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.
LONDON, June 26.—King George has taken on his own shoulders any onus that may be associated with the decree that women must not ride in breeches in the royal parade or at the horse show.

Lord Lonsdale, who is the head of the international show at Olympia, when asked to-day why he was responsible for the decree, immediately replied it was the King. He added: "His Majesty, when giving directions for his visit to Olympia with Queen Mary and President Poincaré of France, said that if ladies were to ride in the equestrian parade they must all use side saddles, as he did not wish any ladies to appear before him riding in any but the proper way."

Lord Lonsdale expressed his absolute agreement with the King in this regard, saying: "Ladies may ride as they choose, of course, at any other time, but on this occasion it was necessary to insist on uniformity. I believe that so long as women are women they will find it advisable to ride in a woman's way. To establish a new practice in this matter we will have to wait until a wholly new kind of woman has been created."

Child Breaks Royal Rule.

The royal susceptibilities were duly respected during the parade at Olympia to-day, except in the case of a little girl of 9, whose years were too few and innocent to bring a blush of shame to the royal cheeks.

Miss Ruth Boyd, the American horsewoman who has heretofore been riding astride, bowed to the royal ukase and seemed as much at ease in the side seat and conventional toggery as otherwise.

The royal fiat is likely to operate toward checking the growing tendency for women to ride astride. It has also given a fillip to the undying controversy between those who favor the side seat and those who prefer riding astride for women.

Lady Greenall, wife of Sir Gilbert Greenall, one of the promoters of the horse show and one of the most experienced horsewomen in England, strongly insists on the side seat. She says:

"There is only one right way, namely, that which extended experience and the inherent necessities of the case present."

Russia Wins King's Cup.
In the judging to-day Russia won the King Edward cup offered for military riders. President Poincaré, who was present, was somewhat consoled when France got second place. England got the third award.

Judge Moore of New York won another first prize to-day with Lord and Lady Seaton in the "Appointment" class. He also won the Berkeley challenge cup for four-in-hands exceeding 14½ hands and first prize with Lady Seaton as a single horse driven by a woman.

In the evening Walter Winans won the Kentucky trophy for a pair of hacks. Judge Moore's Robin Hood failed to get first honors for single horses exceeding 16 hands and was awarded second prize.

The competition for tandems between 15 and 15½ hands caused lively excitement. J. S. Draper's Nimbus and Rillington Nimble became unmanageable. The leader fell and pulled the wheels down with him, damaging the carriage. Then Judge Moore's leader, Lady Seaton, got her leg over the trace and looked violently, injuring Lord Seaton, which had to be withdrawn. The prize went to an Englishman.

ACTRESS SAVES HER JEWELS.

Italian Woman Attacked by Camorristi, but Beats Them.
Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.
LONDON, June 27.—A Milan despatch to the Daily Chronicle says that while Marie Fleur, a favorite vaudeville performer, was returning to her hotel after a performance at Leksora she was seized by a gang of Neapolitan "camorristi" who had followed her from Naples the previous day. They grabbed her handbag, which contained \$20,000 worth of jewelry, and tried to wrest it from her. The actress, however, showed fight and felled one of the robbers with the handbag, which opened and the contents fell on the ground.

The actress then threw herself on the ground to cover the jewels. Some one was heard approaching, and the frightened camorristi fled after firing two shots from revolvers at the woman, who saved all but one of the jewels.

The wounds she received will keep her in the hospital for a month. While struggling with her assailants the actress tore a piece from the coat of one of them, and this enabled the police to trace and arrest him.

NEW "CAMORRA" DISCOVERED.

Anti-Italian Secret Society for Crime Unearthed by Police.
Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.
LONDON, June 26.—The police have just discovered a vast secret association, with headquarters in the small town of Altavilla. It is wonderfully organized and there are male and female sections. The object of the association is to commit profitable crimes. Especial attention was devoted to the white slave traffic, and this section was presided over by a woman who was known as "Red Head."

All the members are elected by ballot. One man who was blackballed denounced the association to the police. Several of the members thereupon were arrested, while several others who were connected with prominent families disappeared. The police have instituted a search for them.

5000 Award in Titanic Suits.
LONDON, June 26.—An award of \$5000 damages was made to-day in three cases brought against the White Star Steamship Company in the King's Bench court for loss of life in the Titanic disaster. The steamship company will pay the costs of the suits.

THE KEYNOTE

Referring to the magnificent structure, designed by Mr. Cass Gilbert, architect (Messrs. Garber & Woodward of Cincinnati, Associate Architects), and recently completed by us for the Union Central Life Insurance Company, of Cincinnati, The Cincinnati Enquirer says:

"System—organization, in fact—must be and is the keynote to an undertaking of this character, and when one remembers that as many as ten distinct buildings in many different cities were under construction at the same time as the Union Central Building was being erected, many of them almost as big and some greater still, one cannot help but applaud the action and courage whose wealth factors and country insurance requires an institution of such magnitude as The Thompson-Starrett Company."

It is true that system and organization enabled us to finish this building—the fifth largest in the world and the tallest in this country outside of New York—in contract time, just as it is system and organization which have made The Union Central Life Insurance Company, which is the Owner of this great enterprise, the seventh largest life insurance company on the American Continent.

THOMPSON-STARRETT
COMPANY
Building Construction

WOMEN NOT FITTED FOR MEDICINE, HE ASSERTS

Eminent Austrian Surgeon
Counsels Them to Stick
to Nursing.

Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.
VIENNA, June 26.—Prof. Hochreiter, the eminent surgeon, in an address to the Austrian Women's Association to-day expressed the opinion that women were especially adapted to the profession of nursing.

He deplored the fact that their remuneration was small. The professor disapproved, however, from the opinion of others in the female sex. He said the more women doctors there were, the more women would be fitted to become medical practitioners. He added:

"This is not meant for censure, but only a statement of fact. A doctor must judge independently and often act rapidly. His whole work demands qualities which are rarely found to be fully developed in the female sex. Despite the great industry and intelligence shown by many of my women students, they are destined to succumb in the struggle, or at least not to be able to obtain a position corresponding to their work and their sacrifice of the joys of life."

As nurses for the sick and wounded the conditions are entirely different. Here women nurses possess special power and fitness and are not subject to male competition."

FRENCH SOPRANO TO COME HERE.

Oscar Hammerstein Engages Marthe Chenal for "Aphrodite."

Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.
LONDON, June 26.—Arthur Hammerstein announced to-day he had engaged Marthe Chenal for five years and that she will appear at his father's new opera house in New York. She will sing in Baron Erlanger's "Aphrodite," with the composer conducting the first performance. Other operas in which she will appear are "Louise," "Thais," "La Tosca" and practically the whole of Mary Garden's repertoire. She is reputed to be the handsomest woman on the opera stage. Mr. Hammerstein added that Campanini, Gatti-Casazza and Henry Russell of Boston had been trying to engage the French soprano.

Oscar Hammerstein confirmed last night the announcement that he had engaged Marthe Chenal, the French lyric soprano, for his coming season of opera in English at his new opera house now building on Lexington avenue. She has sung in the last ten years at the opera and the Opera Comique in Paris, alternating in these houses every other week.

Mlle. Chenal, he said, would make her first appearance here in "Aphrodite," the opera of Baron Erlanger, who will come here to conduct the opera. The score demands the participation of twenty-six principals, and a bacchanalla in the third act requires a ballet of 150 and three premieres danseuses. Mlle. Chenal will sing the title role.

CHURCHILL PAID FOR HIS FUN.

Footed Bills for Entertaining Guests on Admiralty Yacht.

Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.
LONDON, June 26.—Winston Churchill, the First Lord of the Admiralty, has bowed out the critics who have tried to fix on him the charge of entertaining personal guests on an Admiralty yacht during his recent trip to the Mediterranean.

He said in the House of Commons to-night he had paid the costs of entertaining his unofficial guests. He added that since he had been appointed to the Admiralty in October, 1911, he had spent 132 days afloat in inspecting naval ports and bases in the United Kingdom and the Mediterranean. He had inspected between sixty and seventy battleships and had attended day and night fleet manoeuvres on thirty or forty occasions.

RUSSIAN SOLDIERS ON ATHOS.

Two Hundred Land on Sacred Mount to Consecrate Monks.

Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.
SALONICA, June 26.—Two hundred Russian soldiers landed on Mount Athos to-day and were ordered to arrest and follow the heretical monks who refuse to recognize the name of Jesus Christ as divine.

The outcome is unknown, but it is believed that the majority will bow to the orders of the Holy Synod when they see this demonstration in force and that the leaders only will be arrested.

POINCARÉ GUEST OF KING AT STATE BALL

Many Americans at Buckingham
Palace for Brilliant
Function.

ALSO AT THE HORSE SHOW

French President Attends
Dinner at Foreign Office and
Visits Windsor Castle.

Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.
LONDON, June 26.—The state ball at Buckingham Palace to-night in honor of President Poincaré, for which 2,500 invitations had been issued, was one of the most brilliant functions of the season.

Among the Americans present were Mr. Paie, the Ambassador; Irwin Laughlin, the first secretary, and Mrs. Laughlin, who was formerly Miss Iselin, and other members of the embassy.

The Duchess of Marlborough wore a gown of white and silver brocade with fine pearls and diamonds. Other guests were the Countess of Granard, formerly Miss Beatrice Mills; the Duchess of Manchester, formerly Miss Helen Zimmerman; the Marchioness of Dufferin, formerly Florence Davis of New York; Lady Deerpurth, Viscountess Maidstone, formerly Margaretta Drexler; Lady Cheylesmore, formerly Elizabeth French of New York; Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Whitridge, the latter in a gown of rose brocade embroidered with old rose and silver lilies; Miss Joan Whitridge, Mrs. John Astor, the Countess Pappenheim, formerly Miss Wheeler of Philadelphia, and Lady Naylor-Leyland, formerly Jeanie Chamberlain of Cleveland, in a gown of white silk brocade garlanded with white roses and pearls and diamonds.

President Poincaré did not dance. King George and Queen Mary took part in the quadrille. The guests, their partners being the Crown Princess of Sweden and the Duke of Connaught. It was little more than a stately promenade, after which the royal party again joined the French President.

Poincaré Sees Horse Show.

M. Poincaré's visit to the horse show at Olympia in the afternoon with the King and Queen was one of the most successful incidents of the visit of the French chief of state. The President, no troops guarding the streets, as during the Guildhall luncheon, and the people lined up behind an attenuated line of police and cheered the King and Queen and the President as they drove separately to Olympia. The King and Queen arrived first and King George's personal presence at the show was a sensation in Europe. The President, for jumping to a French winner was the first event.

Ten minutes later the playing of the "Marseillaise" by the band announced that President Poincaré was coming. He was greeted cordially by his royal hosts and the public.

Twelve officers from the French cavalry school at Saumur then gave an exhibition of skilled horsemanship, after which came the final jumping competition for King Edward's challenge cup for teams of three officers from different countries. Seven countries entered. The interest was increased by the fact that France had won this competition twice and a third victory would have given her possession of the cup and the spectators would have been delighted. The French, however, were outdone by their Russian allies, who were pronounced the victors, with England third. It was thus a victory for the Triple Entente, although Italy, the only member of the Triple Alliance represented in the contest, occupied so much time that President Poincaré had to leave to fill other engagements before the remainder of the programme was finished.

Dinner at Foreign Office

Sir Edward Grey gave a dinner to President Poincaré at the Foreign Office to-night. The guests, besides M. Pichon, the French Foreign Minister, and President Poincaré's suite, were the Prince of Wales, the Duke of Connaught, Prince Louis of Battenberg, all the members of the Cabinet and also the members of former Ministries. At the conclusion of the dinner President Poincaré proceeded to the state ball at Buckingham Palace.

During the day the French President went by special train to Windsor and deposited wreaths on the tombs of Queen Victoria and King Edward VII. He then inspected Windsor Castle. He will leave London for Paris at 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

PLUM FOR SIR RUFUS ISAACS.

Report Attorney-General Will Be Made Lord Chief Justice.

Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.
LONDON, June 26.—There is much gossip about the fact that the controversy over the speculation in Marconi shares by members of the Cabinet has left Sir Rufus Isaacs, the Attorney-General, in view of the imminence of a vacancy in the post of Lord Chief Justice. It is assumed that Premier Asquith intends to promote Sir Rufus to this office despite the probability of a storm of adverse criticism.

According to the usually well informed Birmingham Post's London correspondent the impending Cabinet changes include besides the promotion of Sir Rufus Isaacs the transfer of Postmaster-General Samuel to the presidency of the Board of Trade, with John Burns taking the Postmaster-Generalship, and Solicitor-General Sir John Simon, C. F. G. Masterman becoming president of the Local Government Board.

The correspondent predicts that Stanley Owen Buckmaster, M. P., will fill one of the vacant law officeships and that Premier Asquith may look outside Parliament for the other law officer.

HYDROPLANE CROSSES CHANNEL.

Graham-White Makes Trip From Paris to London.

Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.
LONDON, June 26.—Claude Graham-White, the aviator, made the first hydroplane journey from Paris to London to-day. He started from the French capital at 5:50 in the morning and followed the course of the Seine, 10½ arrived at Havre at 9:25 and at Boulogne at 10:55.

He crossed the Channel and reached Dover at 1 o'clock this afternoon. Then he followed the Thames from its mouth and landed at Putney at 7:15 this evening.

FRANCE WANTS 672,836 MEN

Premier Barthou Speaks Against
Amendment to Three Year Bill.

Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.
PARIS, June 26.—Premier Louis Barthou spoke to-day in the Chamber of Deputies against the amendment of M. Augagneur to the three years military service bill, which proposed that the present term of enlistment be maintained, but that all the provisions of the law be enforced, declaring that thousands of men are employed as musicians, tailors and at other work whose places could be taken by civilians.

M. Barthou repeated the Government's position in regard to the increased term of service. It had originated, he said, when the Ministers of War and of Foreign Affairs received information as to Germany's proposed increase of her army.

The army committee had decided that the permanent minimum number of men must be 674,000, plus 8 per cent. to allow for contingencies. Since the question had been raised by M. Jaures, the Socialist leader, about a discrepancy in the figures, the committee had made another calculation and had reduced the figures to 672,836.

M. Jaures asserted that the Government was still asking at least 70,000 men more than was necessary.

GERMAN ARMY BILL UP AGAIN.

Measure Greatly Changed Since It Was Introduced.

BERLIN, June 26.—The German military cabinet bill was read a second time to-day in the Imperial parliament. It is designed to meet a non-recurrent cost of \$250,000,000 for increase in the army and has been greatly changed since its inception.

Salaries of \$1,250 are now hit on a graduated scale of from 1 to 8 per cent. At first property in excess of \$2,500 was taxed. Government figures call the levy a "rich man's burden," however, noting \$40,750,000 as from persons worth \$250,000 and over and \$23,250,000 from those with incomes in excess of \$25,000 per annum.

BAVARIAN DUKE AT 82 BEGINS DIVORCE SUIT

Father of Countess Larisch
Wants Separation From
Second Wife.

Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.
MUNICH, June 26.—Duke Ludwig IV, not of Bavaria, 82 years old, whose sister was the late Empress Elizabeth of Austria, has started suit for divorce against his second morganatic wife.

The Duchess, who was an actress, like the first wife of the Duke, who died some years ago, is 40 years old. She was a ballet girl in the Bavarian court opera, named Antonie Bartha. She and the Duke were married in 1892.

Duke Ludwig was born in June, 1831. After serving in the Bavarian cavalry, he attained the rank of General. He renounced his rights to the throne on March 9, 1859, to contract a morganatic marriage with Henrietta Mendel, who was created Baroness de Wallersee.

Henrietta Mendel was a beautiful actress, and the Duke was devoted to her. Her daughter is the Countess Larisch, who recently published a book called "My Past," which caused quite a sensation in Europe. The Countess was the favorite niece of the Empress Elizabeth, and her story of the love affair of the Crown Prince Rudolph, only son of Emperor Francis Joseph, and the Baroness Marie Vetsera is regarded as the true explanation of what remained a mystery for twenty-four years.

Countess Larisch in her book describes her mother as a comedienne who suffered no illusions regarding her ability as an actress and was well aware that the secret of her popularity lay in her pretty face and engaging manner.

Duke Ludwig, it seems, did not gain permission of his family to his first morganatic marriage until after the birth of Marie, the daughter. When Marie's mother died, the Countess was the favorite niece of the Empress Elizabeth, and her story of the love affair of the Crown Prince Rudolph, only son of Emperor Francis Joseph, and the Baroness Marie Vetsera is regarded as the true explanation of what remained a mystery for twenty-four years.

Marie married Count George Larisch von Moennich. He divorced her seven years ago because of her part in the events that led up to the death of the Crown Prince. She afterward married Otto Brucks.

After the death of his first wife the Duke soon married Antonie Bartha.

MORGAN'S ESTATE IN EUROPE.

Property, Exclusive of Art Works, Appraised at \$15,000,000.

Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.
LONDON, June 26.—Thomas E. Rush, counsel to State Comptroller Sohier, and George A. Miller of Carter, Ledyard & Milburn of New York, the appraisers on the estate of the late J. Pierpont Morgan in Europe, sailed for New York yesterday on the steamship Olympic.

It is understood that the aggregate of the real and personal property is \$15,000,000. This is apart from the art works, the value of which is placed at \$12,000,000.

PROMINENT WOMAN MILITANT.

Daughter of Welsh Coal King Arrested as Firebug.

Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.
LONDON, June 26.—Mrs. Mackworth, daughter of D. A. Thomas, the South Wales coal king, who is now in Canada, was arrested at Newport, in Monmouthshire, to-day for setting fire to a mail box after the manner of the militant suffragettes.

She was bailed out by her husband, Capt. Mackworth.

ALLEGRE'S TRIAL COMMENCED.

Would-be Assassin Denies He Tried to Kill King Alfonso.

Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.
MADRID, June 26.—The trial of Allegre, the man who attempted to assassinate King Alfonso, began to-day.

The prisoner preserved a cynical demeanor throughout his examination. He denied that he intended to kill the King.

Young French Aviator Killed.

Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.
PARIS, June 26.—M. Foulquier, an aviator, fell from his machine and was killed at Chalons-sur-Marne to-day. He was only 21 years of age.

JOHNSON IN CANADA; DENIES HE'S FLEEING

Pugilist Arrives in Montreal and
Says He Is Going to
Russia.

TO RETURN IN NOVEMBER

Declares He Won't Forfeit
\$45,000 Bail—His Wife Is
With Him.

MONTREAL, June 26.—Jack Johnson arrived here this morning from Toronto by the Grand Trunk Railway. He says his reason in going to Toronto was to collect more than \$22,000 due to him in that city, which he did.

He announces that he is going to Russia and has chosen the Canadian route, as he considers it the best. Johnson means to fight Smith and Langford in St. Petersburg and says that the stake for the former fight is \$30,000 and for the latter \$35,000. He is also to have half the picture rights.

Johnson wishes it to be known that he will be back in the United States by November in time to surrender to his bond, adding that he has no intention of giving \$15,000 away by forfeiting it. He declares that he can prove his innocence of the charge.

He further says that the lawsuit has already cost him more than \$100,000. His wife is with him and will accompany him to St. Petersburg. Johnson has not yet booked his passage, but says he will sail from Montreal or Quebec next week, perhaps by the Teutonic, due to sail from Montreal via Quebec on Tuesday, or else by the Victorian, which sails on Thursday.

Johnson declares that he is perfectly fit, that in fact he never felt better in his life.

He desires to emphasize the fact that he will surely be back in New York early in November. He is staying privately in a house in Craig street.

REGARDED AS A FLIGHT.

Federal Officials at Chicago Begin an Investigation.

CHICAGO, June 26.—Jack Johnson, the pugilist, is believed to be in flight to Europe via Canada to escape imprisonment in the Federal penitentiary at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., for one year and a day and a fine of \$1,000, to which he was sentenced for violating the white slave act.

Despatches from Toronto announce that the pugilist and his white wife, who was Lucille Cameron of Minneapolis, passed last night in that city and that they started to-day from Montreal with the intention of sailing for England.

Immediately on receipt of the information United States District Attorney Wilkerson and Charles F. DeLoach, special agent of the Department of Justice, began an investigation.

The only hope the Federal authorities have that Johnson will be returned to Chicago to serve his sentence in the event that his appeal to the United States Court of Appeals fails lies in the Canadian law under which the fugitive of the Dominion send back undesirable persons who cross the border. The crime of which Johnson was convicted is not extraditable.

Johnson's sister and mother in Chicago denied to-night to the Federal authorities that they knew anything of the pugilist's reported flight. He left Chicago Tuesday, they say, in his machine for Cedar Lake, Ind., a few miles across the Illinois State line on a week's fishing trip.

Chief Dewdney immediately sent men to Cedar Lake, but they reported over the telephone that the negro had not been there for more than three weeks. The chief then got into communication with the authorities at Montreal.

Johnson was last seen in Chicago Monday afternoon when he talked to his attorney, Benjamin Bachrach, relative to the appeal of his case. In the morning he appeared in Federal Judge Carpenter's court with his attorney and got leave to appeal. Judge Carpenter set the bonds at \$45,000, which were immediately furnished. Matthew S. Baldwin, a wealthy real estate dealer of Evanston, Johnson and his mother becoming sureties.

Johnson also sought to have the sentence to Joliet changed to the Government prison at Fort Leavenworth. This was granted Tuesday by Judge Carpenter. The fighter did not appear in court Tuesday and his attorney made repeated attempts to communicate with the pugilist's home during the day, but failed. Members of the family said the negro was out driving.

Johnson has been only under nominal surveillance since his conviction, the bail being considered sufficient to hold him.

OSLER RAPS HOSPITAL HEADS.

Calls Officials Obstinate and Ignorant of Modern Methods.

Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.
LONDON, June 26.—Sir William Osler in an address to the British Hospitals Association to-day strongly urged the hospitals to abandon their voluntary system, which he declared was antiquated and could not continue. He added:

"You have got to accept the principle of taking pay, which answers admirably elsewhere. There is no general hospital in the United States or Canada that does not take all the money it can get from its patients. There is no difficulty about it."

Referring to the clinical laboratories and pathological arrangements of English hospitals, the professor said:

"You are hopelessly behind the times. You must reform and rearrange your ideas because many of you are pig-headed, obstinate and hopelessly ignorant."

QUAKES RECORDED IN EUROPE.

Instruments Record Shocks, Probably in Australian Islands.

Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.
BRUSSELS, June 26.—The instruments on the observatory here recorded earthquake shocks between 5:15 and 8 o'clock this morning. It is believed that the shocks were among the islands of northeast Australia.

Florence, June 26.—The seismograph at the observatory here recorded a violent earthquake shock at 6 o'clock this morning. It is believed to have occurred about 2,000 miles to the eastward.

Today and all day tomorrow
1200 Men's Bathing Suits
the \$3, \$4 & \$4.50 grades
at \$2.35

You'll need to attend this sale early
to be in the swim!

Some shops don't handle twelve hundred bathing suits in an entire season, let alone in a single offering of this character. Of course, this is neither here nor there, but we mention the fact simply to emphasize that other fact—that Saks is headquarters for bathing suits in this city. Indeed, this is alone responsible for our ability to get such a tangible saving on regular prices as in this remarkable sale today.

75 Dozen of these Bathing Suits are
made of fine worsted.

And you know what that means. In addition, more than half of them are full fashioned, and all of them are the product of a maker who is a crank on quality. The assortment includes plain colors and others with white or red borders, and there are a number of novelties thrown in for extra measure, which will go to those who dive first into the selections. Quarter sleeve or sleeveless models, whichever you fancy. And so that there shall be no misunderstanding there are about twenty-five dozen suits that are 90% worsted and 10% cotton for the man who cannot wear all wool. All sizes, and all splendid values.

Saks & Company

Broadway at 34th Street.

SCOTT SALE TOTALS \$416,105.

\$5,510 Paid on Last Day for an Inkstand.

Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.
LONDON, June 26.—The three days sale of collection of French decorative objects, porcelain and tapestry owned by the late Sir John Murray Scott closed at Christie's to-day with a grand total of \$416,105. The sale has attracted more than usual attention because a contest over the will of Sir John is now going on in the courts.

The highest price to-day was \$5,510 for a Directoire ormolu inkstand, 12 inches wide, with four receptacles for ink and sand. Smith, the collector, bought it. He also paid \$1,890 for a pair of ormolu andirons.

Hodgkins gave \$4,745 for a bouille kneeshole writing table, 76 by 34 inches. A Wertheimer paid \$3,255 for a pair of Louis XVI. ormolu andirons.

Other prices were as follows: A bronze of "Bacchus and Flora" life size, French of the eighteenth century, \$2,340; a clock and barometer of Louis XV. design, \$2,205; and a pair of ormolu candlesticks, \$2,360.